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Robert LAMBERT et al.) Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned
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For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR**)
FINITE FIELD BASIS)
CONVERSION)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, after the title, insert a new paragraph as follows:

--This application is a continuation of international application number
PCT/CA00/00187, filed on February 28, 2000, and claims the benefit of Canadian
Patent Application Number 2,263,056, filed on February 26, 1999 the content of which
is incorporated herein by reference.--

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